

REMARKS

Claims 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 and 53 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 and 53 have been amended, and claims 47, 49, 51 and 54 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added.

Claims 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 and 53 are amended to improve form. Support for the amendments to claims 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 and 53 is found in the Disclosure as originally filed.

This amendment is filed with a Request for Continued Examination. Entry and consideration are respectfully requested. Further, for the following reasons, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 44, and 46-54 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 44, 48 and 52 are amended to obviate the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 44, 46, 48-50, and 52-53 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Okada et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0047588). This rejection of cancelled claim 49 is moot. The rejection of the remaining claims is respectfully traversed.

It is respectfully submitted that Okada fails to disclose or suggest a method of controlling resume-playback of one or more titles recorded on a recording medium comprising storing

resume information of the first title in a storing unit of apparatus according to a first resumable flag which indicates whether the first title is resumable or not, as recited in claim 44.

Also, it is respectfully submitted that Okada fails to disclose or suggest an apparatus of controlling resume-playback of one or more titles recorded on a recording medium comprising a controller configured to control the storing unit to store the resume information of the first title according to a first resumable flag which indicates whether the first title is resumable or not, as recited in claim 48.

Also, it is respectfully submitted that Okada fails to disclose or suggest a computer readable medium including video data and management information recorded by a recording device and configured to be reproduced by a reproducing device in a manner instructed by the management information, wherein at least one command group contains a navigation command, the navigation command being used to instruct an apparatus to store resume information into a storing unit of the apparatus according to a resumable flag which indicates whether one of the titles is resumable or not, as recited in claim 52.

That is, Okada fails to disclose a first resumable flag which indicates whether the first title is resumable or not, and the storing thereof, as recited in claims 44 or 48; or a resumable flag which indicates whether one of the titles is resumable or not, or the storing thereof, as recited in claim 52.

Rather, Okada simply discloses that the script of an event handler has the command GoUp(2), telling the player to interrupt playback at the current position and play program #2, whereby the location where playback was interrupted is simply written and stored to a variable for a subsequent Resume operation, if called (see paragraph [0177] and FIG. 13 of Okada).

When program #2 is played, the cell post-process is called last, and as shown in FIG. 13, the event handler with id="post" is called, and playback continues with the script command Resume (), that is, from the location where playback was interrupted by the GoUp command (see paragraph [0178] and FIG. 13 of Okada). That is, instead of a flag which indicates whether a title is resumable or not, Okada simply discloses a Resume () that simply continues playback. Also, instead of storing the flag which indicates whether the title is resumable or not, Okada simply discloses storing the location of where the playback was interrupted. In fact, none of the event handler id, or the script thereof, such as command GoUp(2) or Resume (), indicates whether a title is resumable or not, or is a flag that indicates whether the title is resumable or not.

Further, FIG. 20 of Okada shows system variables (SV) of which SV 24-27 are stored as resume information for cell 1, and SV 28-31 are stored as resume information for cell 2 (see, paragraph [0281] of Okada). However, none of the SV24-31 is a flag which indicates whether a title is resumable or not.

Accordingly, Okada fails to disclose or suggest each and every feature of claims 44, 48 and 52. Accordingly, claims 44, 48 and 52 are patentably distinguishable over the applied reference to Okada. Claim 46, which depends from claim 44; claim 50, which depends from claim 48; and claim 53, which depend from claim 52, are likewise patentably distinguishable over the applied reference to Okada for at least the reasons discussed above, and for the additional features they recite. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 47, 51 and 54 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Okada, in view of Ono (US Patent No. 6,914,863). This rejection of cancelled claims 47, 51 and 54 is moot.

Conclusion

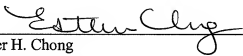
In view of the above amendment and/or remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Seth S. Kim, Reg. No. 54,577, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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